

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District in Wellsville, Missouri, which has distinguished itself as a Missouri school district to be honored for "Distinction in Performance"; and

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those teachers of the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District whose selfless dedication to their students has resulted in high achievement of said students due to high expectations; and

Whereas, the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District has taken the initiative to support and to fully implement the Reading Recovery program for its most at risk first grade readers resulting in a 90% success rate, bringing those students up to grade level, which is most often maintained at least through third grade; and

Whereas, the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District worked with tireless commitment to meet the standards necessary to receive the Distinction in Performance award, which is issued annually and is designed to be an incentive for school districts to focus on improving academic achievement; and

Whereas, this prestigious award can lead to tangible benefits for the Wellsville-Middletown School District, which is now eligible for waivers from some of the state's accreditation procedures if they demonstrate consistent academic progress; and

Whereas, students, teachers, parents, school officials, and members of the Wellsville and Middletown communities are exceedingly proud of this well-deserved recognition, which confirms that the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District is making steady gains in all areas of academic performance, including test scores:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Superintendent Ann Hammer and to all those affiliated with the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District at this tremendous milestone of achievement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Wellsville-Middletown R-I School District in Wellsville, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker